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Sir:

In response to the examiner's telephonic request of April 29, 2004, please enter the following claims which are conformed from all prior amendments.

1. (Previously Presented) An oxygen-scavenging polymer composition consisting essentially of:

- a) at least one ethylene vinyl alcohol copolymer;
- b) at least one oxidizable epoxy or anhydride functional polybutadiene; and
- c) at least one metal salt catalyst.

2-3. Canceled.

4. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the oxidizable epoxy or anhydride functional polybutadiene comprises particles which are substantially uniformly distributed in the polymer composition.